TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HJR 75

February 18, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Proposes to amend Article VI, Section 14 of the Tennessee Constitution which repeals prohibition that a fine in excess of \$50.00 cannot be imposed except by jury and provides that the General Assembly set the maximum amount of fine assessed without jury up to a \$500 limit. The foregoing amendment shall be referred to the 107th General Assembly and this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$20,000/One-Time

Assumptions:

- A one-time cost of \$20,000 to the Secretary of State to print notice of the proposed amendment in certain newspapers as required by this resolution.
- Article XI, Section 3 of the Constitution, requires publication of the resolution before the next legislative election. This publication would occur in the spring of 2010.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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